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Title:

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONNECTING

HOLLOW ORGANS AND/OR SEALING WALL DEFECTS IN HOLLOW ORGANS

REQUEST FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant's Attorney hereby requests an extension of time from November 28, 2003 until January 28, 2004 for filing a response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2003 in the above-identified patent application.

Applicant's Attorney's check in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the extension of time fee is enclosed.

Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0115.

A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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